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•	Horace L. Flournoy	2189
The MAILING DATE of this communication appeal All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT R of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313	(OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this ap or other appropriate communication IGHTS. This application is subject to	plication. If not included  n will be mailed in due course. THIS
1. This communication is responsive to <u>amendments received on 11/16/2007</u> .		
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-20.		
3 Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority up a) All b) Some* c) None of the:  1. Certified copies of the priority documents have 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority do	e been received. e been received in Application No.	
International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).		
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Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.  THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.		
4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.		
5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.		
(a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached		
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(b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date		
Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).		
6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.		
Attachment(s) 1. ☑ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	5.  Notice of Informal F	Patent Application
2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	6. Interview Summary	(PTO-413),
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),	Paper No./Mail Da 7.	
Paper No./Mail Date  4.  Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit	8. 🛭 Examiner's Statem	ent of Reasons for Allowance
of Biological Material	9.	

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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

This Office Action has been issued in response to the remarks filed <u>November 16<sup>th</sup></u> 2007. Applicant's arguments have been carefully and respectfully considered, and are persuasive to the examiner.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Independent claims 1, 12, 18, 19 and 20 are allowable over the prior art of record for the remarks to each independent claim as set forth on pages 9-12 of the response received 4/30/2007, as well as for the instant amendments to the independent claim 19 received on 11/16/2007. As such, each of the dependent claims is allowable.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

## CONCLUSION

## Direction of Future Correspondences

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communication from the examiner should be directed to Horace L. Flournoy whose telephone number is (571) 272-2705. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM (ET).

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**Important Note** 

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Reginald G. Bragdon can be reached on (571) 272-4204. The fax phone

numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703)

746-7239.

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Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or

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2100.

Reginald G. Bragdon

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